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Office of the County Executive

Statement from County Executive David R. Craig Regarding Action by the Board of Public Works To Delay Construction of a Towson University Facility at HCC

(Bel Air, MD) - - Harford County Executive David R. Craig issued the following statement in response to action earlier today by the Board of Public Works.

"As a graduate of Towson University as well as the County Executive for Harford County, I am deeply concerned by the action of the Board of Public Works to delay construction of a Towson University facility on the campus of Harford Community College. In essence, because the Governor and Comptroller are upset with Towson University over a recent budgetary and management decision regarding sports programming, they are now playing politics with the education of students and faculty associated with Towson University and Harford Community College.

As a former Towson Tiger soccer player, I certainly understand the concerns regarding the termination of the men's baseball and soccer programs at Towson, however students and their education should not be held hostage because of a difference of opinion on the future of sports at the main Towson University campus.

I urge Governor O'Malley and Comptroller Franchot to set aside personal politics and allow construction of the Towson University facility at Harford Community College to proceed".

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